

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Expiration of the)
Term of Veronica L. Duffy, United States) ORDER APPOINTING
Magistrate Judge, Southern Division) MERIT SELECTION PANEL

A Merit Selection Panel shall be formed to assist the United States District Judges in their determination as to the reappointment of the incumbent magistrate judge, Veronica L. Duffy. The panel shall review the incumbent's performance in office as a magistrate judge, and consider comments received from members of the bar and the public, and any other pertinent evidence as to the incumbent's good character, judgment, legal ability, temperament, and commitment to equal justice under the law.

After considering this information, the panel, by June 17, 2022, must report to the Court as to whether it recommends the incumbent for reappointment to an additional term of office. The report may contain written reasons for substantiating the panel's decision. Furthermore, all information received by the panel as a result of this process should be included as part of the record submitted to the Court.

The panel shall include: Chairperson Pamela Reiter and members Sanaa Abourezk, Linda Barker, Andy Fick, Melissa Fiksdal, John Haak, and Jason Tupman.

Dated this 30th day of March 2022.


ROBERTO A. LANGE, CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA